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Dear Marlys:

This is to confirm receipt of your request for implementation of Phase 1 Enhanced Wireless 911 service in your public safety jurisdictional area. Sprint PCS welcomes the opportunity to begin working with you to bring the added benefits of this service to your agency and our subscribers.

As I'm sure you are aware the FCC, in its December 8, 1999, order, reaffirmed the finding that implementation of its E 911 schedule generally depends on the action of State and local authorities, and such actions would include adequately funding their PSAPs. The order also recognized that without adequate funding, PSAPs may not be able to finance expenditures required to upgrade their hardware or software capabilities to receive and use Phase 1 and Phase 2 information, as well as to finance recurring costs that may be associated with the additional network services required.

The establishment of Phase 1 Enhanced Wireless 911 service requires that wireless carriers provide the telephone number of the originator of a 911 call and the location of the cell site or base station receiving a 911 call to the designated Public Safety Answering Point through the use of ANI and Pseudo-ANI. It also requires that the public safety agency's 911 systems be capable of receiving and utilizing the 20 digits of information which provides the automatic number identification ("ANI") and automatic location information ("ALI") of the originating wireless caller. In its December 8th order the FCC deleted from its E 911 rules the specific condition that required a cost recovery mechanism for carriers to be in place before a wireless carrier is obligated to implement E 911. The FCC again emphasized that wireless carriers cannot fulfill their obligations unless and until the States' 911 systems are capable of receiving and utilizing the E911 information and that PSAPs must make whatever investments are necessary to achieve the capability of receiving and using the Phase 1 data in order to make a valid request for Phase 1 service. If your agency has already made the necessary investment or arrangements to upgrade its hardware and software, Sprint PCS is prepared to move forward with the engineering, planning and implementation processes required to deliver the 20 digit information stream to your 911 system via the existing LEC 911 selective router.

Sprint PCS' rates associated with providing the ANI and ALI information represents some of the additional network services required for your agency to be capable receiving and using the Phase 1 data and, as such, is a financial obligation that should be assumed by your agency. However, since Washington State has not yet specifically addressed the requirement for compensation to wireless carriers for providing the ANI and ALI information, Sprint PCS is willing to proceed without a financial commitment from your agency. We will continue to work toward establishing processes within the state to define the appropriate financial obligations to address this inequity.

If your 911 system has not been upgraded to directly receive the information and you require a third party provided data base for interfacing between Sprint PCS and your 911 system, to achieve the capability of receiving and using the Phase 1 data, additional costs will be incurred by your agency. The data base services, required to give your agency the capability of receiving and using the Phase 1 data, can be provided by any number of vendors including but not limited to the local exchange carriers, SCC Communication Corp., and XYPOINT. Sprint PCS also offers a product which provides these additional data base services. If the data base services are required, your agency can make arrangements directly with one of the vendors to utilize their data base or you can order this service arrangement from Sprint PCS. Sprint PCS' rate for its data base services product, if required and requested by your agency, is a monthly recurring charge of \$0.065 per active Sprint PCS subscriber with a billing address within your agency's service area. Billing for the service, if provided by Sprint PCS, will be established upon implementation and acceptance of Phase 1 service by your agency. The invoices would be sent to your agency, as the customer requesting and subscribing to the data base services, for payment.

Should you require the data base services and make your own arrangements directly with a vendor, you will need to advise Sprint PCS how and to where (within the Sprint PCS local serving area) it will be required to transmit the information and the type of transmission interface required for the 20 digit information stream to be passed from Sprint PCS through the data base system to your 911 system. In establishing the deployment schedule for Phase 1, the FCC found that standards would be established to enable the transmission of the additional ANI digits in Phase 1. The established standards supporting the transmission of the 20 digit information stream are identified as either a Feature Group D or Signaling System 7 (SS7) transmission method.

Sprint PCS prefers to implement Phase 1 utilizing the SS7 standard since it is a transmission method that will support the expanded requirements associated with Phase 2 Enhanced Wireless 911 service. Phase 2 requires Sprint PCS to transmit more accurate location information (ALI) regarding the originating wireless caller beginning October 1, 2001. While we prefer the SS7 transmission method, Sprint PCS is able to support the Feature Group D transmission method, if it supports your capabilities to receive the additional information and so long as the use of Feature Group D does not unreasonably extend call set up times.

The implementation of Phase 1 service will require us to identify and exchange proprietary, confidential or trade secret information with you. Accordingly, it is important that we execute a non-disclosure agreement that protects the proprietary, confidential or trade secret information of both parties. Please have the enclosed non-disclosure agreement executed and returned to me.

Per our conversation, from Wednesday, March 22, 2000, it is my understanding that your agency is committed to working toward a statewide service agreement. Sprint PCS does not require a contract, however we will review and work with your processes to implement the requested Phase 1 Enhanced Wireless 911 service in King County.

I look forward to working with you in implementing this service within your public safety jurisdictional area.

Should you have any questions, please contact me

Sincerely,

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